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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8526**  
Inge JOHANSEN et al. : Docket No. 2001\_1826A  
Serial No. 10/018,174 : Group Art Unit 1725  
Filed March 12, 2002 : Examiner Kevin P. Kerns

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 28, 2004, the period for response  
having been extended for one (1) month by the attached petition, please amend the  
present application as follows:

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